## Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief

Application No.	Applicant(s)	
10/671,565	KODAMA ET AL.	
Examiner	Art Unit	

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	The MAILING DATE of this communication appe	ears on the cover sheet with the c	correspondence add	ress		
THE	REPLY FILED 28 February 2008 FAILS TO PLACE THIS	APPLICATION IN CONDITION FO	R ALLOWANCE.			
	The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on application, applicant must timely file one of the following application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appelor Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 Coperiods:	the same day as filing a Notice of A replies: (1) an amendment, affidavited eal (with appeal fee) in compliance	Appeal. To avoid abar t, or other evidence, w with 37 CFR 41.31; or	hich places the (3) a Request		
a)	$\boxtimes$ The period for reply expires <u>3</u> months from the mailing date	of the final rejection.				
b)						
	Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (		FIRST REPLY WAS FI	LED WITHIN TWO		
have l under set for may r	MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee ave been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee inder 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as et forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, hay reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).					
	The Notice of Appeal was filed on A brief in comp	liance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be t	filed within two months	s of the date of		
	filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any exter Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed w	nsion thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to	avoid dismissal of the	e appeal. Since a		
	NDMENTS					
3. 🖂	The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, b			cause		
	(a) They raise new issues that would require further con	•	ΓE below);			
	(b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE belo	•				
	(c) They are not deemed to place the application in bet appeal; and/or	ter form for appeal by materially rec	auding or simplifying ti	ne issues for		
	(d) They present additional claims without canceling a	corresponding number of finally reje	ected claims			
	NOTE: Claim 1 has been amended to specify the			ewly added		
	limitation alters the scope of the claims and thus raexaminer. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).					
4. 🔲	The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.12	21. See attached Notice of Non-Co	mpliant Amendment (I	PTOL-324).		
5. 🔲	Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):	:				
6. 🗌	Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be all non-allowable claim(s).	lowable if submitted in a separate, t	imely filed amendmer	nt canceling the		
7. 🔯	how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provide status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:		l be entered and an ex	xplanation of		
	Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to:					
	Claim(s) rejected: <u>1,3,4 and 7</u> .					
	Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:					
	DAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
8. <u> </u>	The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, bu because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).					
	The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to o showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary	overcome <u>all</u> rejections under appear y and was not earlier presented. Se	al and/or appellant fails see 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1)	s to provide a ).		
_	The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation UEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER	n of the status of the claims after er	ntry is below or attach	ed.		
_	The request for reconsideration has been considered bu Applicant's arguments are based on amendment(s) that arguments. The examiner maintains the position set fort suggestion, or motivation in the references for the comb	will not be entered, thus the examine h in the Final Office action, wherein	ner has not replied to	these		
40 E	Note the attached Information Disclassing Statements		20			

- 12. ☑ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement*(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). <u>2/28/2008</u>
- 13. Other: <u>Attached Interview Summary</u>.

**Continuation Sheet (PTOL-303)** 

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